

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

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LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO:

Mayor Philip Levine and Members of the City Commission

FROM:

Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager

DATE:

February 10, 2015

SUBJECT: MUNICIPAL PARKING NO. P63 (\$2ND STREET/ROYAL PALM AVENUE &

PRAIRIE AVENUE) - PARKING OPPORTUNITY ENHANCEMENTS

As we know, the month of February brings heightened activity to the Middle Beach area. As a result, there is increased demand at many of the municipal parking facilities in the area. The 42nd Street Garage is near to capacity daily on weekdays and demand overflows into Municipal Parking Lot No. P63. In turn, this results in P63 also being near capacity which reduces short term parking opportunities for patrons of the 41st Street corridor. Moreover, P63 serves as an overflow student/passenger loading area on weekday mornings and afternoons for North Beach Elementary parents.

Needless to say, there are a number of competing users for this facility during the month of February. In order to enhance parking opportunities for patrons of the business corridor as well as student drop-off/pick-up at the school, the Parking Department will adjust the maximum time limit at pay stations and Parkmobile (payment by phone) payment option as follows:

Current:

Ten (10) hour maximum time limit.

New:

Two (2) hour maximum time limit 8:00 AM to 12 Noon and six (6) hour

maximum time limit 12 Noon to 6:00 PM.

The goal is to discourage long term parking by those who arrive in the early morning hours and usurp the available parking for most of the day. Please note we anticipate this spike in demand to subside at the end of February. If this is the case, maximum time limits may be reverted to their original limits.

If you should have any questions, please contact Saul Frances, Parking Director via email or at extension 6483.

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